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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: MORE MISCREANTS HANDED OVER TO BDG AUTHORITIES

REF: A. DACCA 2891 B. DACCA 2969

1. ON MAY 27, THE GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED NEWS AGENCY, BSS, REPORTED THAT ANOTHER 285 BANGLADESHI NATIONALS HAD BEEN HANDED OVER TO BDG AUTHORITIES. THESE ARE IN ADDITION TO THE 232 OFFICIALLY MENTIONED MAY 26 AND REPORTED REFTEL A. ACCORDING TO A SEPARATE STORY IN DAINIK BANGLA, THE LATEST GROUP WAS SAID TO HAVE SURRENDERED WITH A LARGE QUANTITY OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

2. AN ALERT POLITICAL LOCAL REPORTED THAT THE CALCUTTA STATION OF THE ALL INDIA RADIO ANNOUNCED IN ITS BENGALI NEWS BULLETIN MAY 27 THAT MOST OF THE BANGLADESHI CITIZENS WHO ENTERED INDIA AFTER AUGUST, 1975, HAVE NOW RETURNED TO BANGLADESH. THE BROADCAST ALSO
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REPORTEDLY SAID THAT SOME OF THESE PEOPLE HAD REQUESTED INDIAN CITIZENSHIP AND THAT THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT "MAY GRANT THEIR PRAYER AS PER INDIAN LAW."

3. PRESIDENT ZIA, IN HIS FIRST POST-REFERENDUM NEWS CONFERENCE (REFTEL B), CONFIRMED THAT "QUITE A FEW HUNDRED BANGLADESHIS WHO TOOK REFUGE IN INDIA HAD SURRENDERED

AND ARE NOW SETTLING DOWN IN THE COUNTRY."

4. COMMENT: KADAR "TIGER" SIDDIQUI DOES NOT SEEM TO BE ONE OF THE MISCREANTS HANDED OVER. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT EITHER HE EVADED CAPTURE BY BSF FORCES OR THE GOI HAS NOT DECIDED WHAT TO DO WITH HIM. AT ANY RATE, THE FATE OF THOSE WHO HAVE RETURNED REMAINS UNCLEAR, DESPITE ZIA'S RATHER ENIGMATIC LAIM THAT THEY ARE "SETTLING DOWN." MASTERS

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